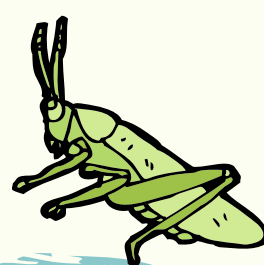
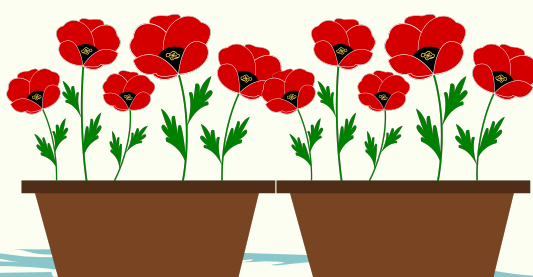


# SPRING CAMP AT HOME !

NATURE IS ALL AROUND US!  
LEARN A NEW SKILL YOU  
CAN TRY AT HOME.



## SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

Celebrate the start of a new season by creating your own camp from home.

**JOIN IN ON THE SPRING CAMP AT HOME FUN & LEARN NEW SKILLS, MEET NEW FRIENDS, PICK UP A NEW GAME OR TWO, AND MORE!**

### HOW TO START:

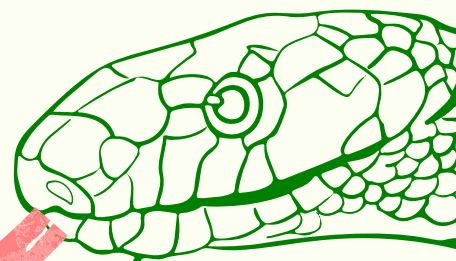
Follow the three simple steps below and look at the next page to begin.

- 1** Pick a camp name. Get creative, choose something that describes you and your fellow campers.
- 2** Create a welcome sign. Use paper and markers or use a piece of wood and carving tools to show your craftsmanship.
- 3** Camp logistics. Things to answer before getting started: Is your whole house fair game for camp? How many days a week will you meet? What is your camp schedule? And last but not least make sure to pick a theme or themes.

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All great camps have a series of activities that test your skills, teach you something new, and make you smile. Start your Spring Camp at Home journey with these recommended activities. Make your own and continue the fun!



## HOME BASE & FORT BUILDING

All camps need a home base for camp. Start by building yours!

Watch Naturalist Martha build her ideal fort at home. Do you think you can make a fort sturdier than her? Join in on the **#fortchallenge** & share your home fort making skills on our Fb & Instagram accounts. See what other campers at home have done!

### MATERIALS NEEDED:

- SHEETS/BLANKETS, POLES/BROOMS/MOPS, HEAVY BOOKS, FURNITURE CUSHIONS/ ETC.



## PLAN A LOCAL FIELD TRIP OR GUIDED WALK

These outings should take place at home. Create a new and magical experience for your campers. Take them on a journey!

Are you a fan of museums?

Create your own mini-museum at home. What type of museum is it? Make labels and fun ways for your campers to interact with the items you display.

### MATERIALS FOR A CABINET OF CURIOSITIES:

CURIOSITY CABINETS CELEBRATE THE ART OF COLLECTING UNUSUAL ITEMS. HERE IS WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- DISPLAY CABINET, BOOKCASE, OR BOX
- COLLECT THINGS FROM AROUND HOME THAT YOU LOVE & FIND INTERESTING & DISPLAY THEM
- SHARE YOUR WORK WITH YOUR FELLOW CAMPERS. DID YOU ALL COLLECT THE SAME MATERIALS?



## CAMP APPRECIATION

It is always good to reflect and celebrate the end of camp with your friends. Make sure to take the time to appreciate the new memories you created during camp. You can write slips of appreciation to a fellow camper OR have campers sign an old shirt with a thoughtful message.

Have an old Summer Ridge Runners or Summer Day Camps t-shirt? Use it to collect signatures and messages!

Make some home made S'mores and share your favorite camp memories!

### MATERIALS FOR HOME MADE S'MORES:

- GRAHAM CRACKERS, MARSHMALLOWS, CHOCOLATE
- USE A PAN SHEET TO PLACE MARSHMALLOWS ON ONE SIDE OF THE PAIR OF GRAHAM CRACKERS AND PLACE CHOCOLATE ON THE OTHER GRAHAM CRACKER.
- BROIL FOR 1-2 MINUTES IN THE OVEN. KEEP AN EYE ON THEM!

Start your Journey Here!



## LOOKING FOR A VIRTUAL SHOW OR TOUR?

Check out the Library e-Resources section on the [Virtual Library & Recreation Center](#) for some great ones!



## ICEBREAKERS & OTHER GAMES

Get to know more about each camper by playing fun games. Try the following or make your own!

Every time you meet with your camp, ask a greeting question. For example, if you could be any animal or plant right now what would you be? See how your answers change every time you ask the question.

### Play Nature Categories:

Gather in a circle, put your right hand on top of the person to your right and your left hand below the person to your left.

Somebody will begin to chant, "This is a game of concentration, no repeats or hesitations, category is \_\_\_\_\_."

While the song is being chanted somebody in the circle needs to start the 'hand movement' clockwise by GENTLY patting the person's to the left hand, this will continue until the end of the song and around the circle.

Whoever gets patted down last by the time the chant ends gets to select a category that everyone will give an answer to. For example if the category is 'Types of Birds' everyone has to give the name of a bird, saying Deer or Snake would disqualify you. Campers will continue to pat the hand of the person to the left until somebody stumbles and is out. The game will repeat until there is only one person standing!

STAY TUNED FOR MORE FUN SPRING CAMP AT HOME ACTIVITIES!

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